

# Chapter 5: Conclusions

The life cycles of salmon are complex and the variables affecting their recovery and survival are many, but their needs for freshwater and estuarine habitat are relatively straightforward. They require ample cool, clean water in the migration corridor; gravel to build nests and lay eggs; shallow pools to provide rest stops along the way; and undisturbed shoreline and nearshore rearing habitat. Meeting these needs—and improving current conditions—is the goal of PCSRF.

PCSRF has provided funding support in accordance with congressional and administration direction since 2000. A total of \$525 million has been appropriated to the program and subsequently distributed to the states and tribes in accordance with the federal appropriations acts. Exhibit 5-1 depicts the regional distribution of projects. Exhibit 5-2 shows the allocation of funds by state and tribal commission, including matching funds.

This report builds on prior-year efforts to develop and report on outputs and outcomes of PCSRF. States and tribes have worked with NMFS over the past few years to come to agreement on a set of performance measures with which to demonstrate progress in meeting the goals of salmon recovery. This report presents a

set of performance goals and associated performance measures for the PCSRF program. Three major performance goals for PCSRF have been established and form the basis for measuring the results of the activities funded by PCSRF.

The PCSRF data show progress toward salmon restoration and conservation goals. Key activities include:

- » Restoring riparian and instream habitat.
- » Acquiring land to protect salmon habitat.
- » Removing fish passage blockages to open habitat to salmon.
- » Identifying ways to address factors limiting recovery.
- » Monitoring salmon populations and habitat conditions.
- » Developing better knowledge and strategies to manage salmon.

NMFS is fully committed to continuing to work with states and tribes to improve performance measurement and reporting for PCSRF, as the region continues to advance salmon recovery.

**Exhibit 5-2: PCSRF and State Funds Committed by Category (in millions)**

	Habitat Protection & Restoration (1,847 projects)	Watershed Assessment & Subbasin Planning (1,127 projects)	Research, Monitoring, Enhancement, & Education (1,059 projects)
Washington	\$75.34	\$28.79	\$23.04
Oregon	\$7.28	\$20.69	\$31.88
California	\$32.46	\$12.41	\$7.09
Alaska	\$7.42	\$11.26	\$80.13
Idaho	\$4.37	\$0.07	\$0.29
Columbia River Tribes	\$5.17	\$1.17	\$7.38
Pacific Coastal Tribes	\$5.14	\$12.32	\$15.69
Total PCSRF Funds	\$137.18	\$86.71	\$165.50
State Matching Funds	\$145.45	\$28.41	\$19.81
Total PCSRF & State Funds	\$282.63	\$115.12	\$185.31



# Recovery Domains and Evolutionarily Significant Units



